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Subject: Azerbaijan Update

Good morning,

I wanted to share two recent developments about the killing of two Azerbaijani journalists and one government official by an Armenian mine in the Kalbajar district of Azerbaijan.

- The Committee to Protect Journalists released a <u>statement</u>: "The killing of journalists Maharram Ibrahimov and Siraj Abishev in the Kalbajar district of Azerbaijan today was a needless tragedy. Armenian authorities should share their landmine maps with the members of the press to ensure that no other journalists become victims in the conflict."
- The Director-General of UNESCO, Audrey Azoulay, also condemned the deaths, <u>stating</u>, "I am shocked by the tragic deaths of Siraj Abishov and Maharram Ibrahimov. Journalists must be able to exercise their profession without risk to their personal safety."

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you, Mark

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